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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON VISIT OF KARL CZERNETZ, PRESIDENT,
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY, COUNCIL OF EUROPE

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1. IN A BRIEF WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY SEPTEMBER 27, CZERNETZ
PRESENTED TO VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE, WHO WAS ACTING FOR THE
PRESIDENT, THE SPECIAL COPY OF THE EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS
CONVENTION DEDICATED TO PRESIDENT CARTER. THIS PRESENT-
ATION COMPLETED THE WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES BY CZERNETZ
DURING THE WASHINGTON PORTION OF HIS US VISIT.

2. CZERNETZ ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON SEPTEMBER 18. WHILE HE
WAS ESCORTED ON ALL HIS ROUNDS HERE BY AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR
SCHOBBER, BOTH REGULARLY EMPHASIZED THAT HE WAS IN WASHING-
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TON IN HIS COUNCIL OF EUROPE CAPACITY RATHER THAN AS
CHAIRMAN OF THE AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE. IN MEETINGS WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, STUDENTS,
LEGISLATIVE LEADERS AND JOURNALISTS, CZERNETZ ALSO
REPEATEDLY STRESSED THAT THE COUNCIL IS THE PRINCIPAL ALLY
OF PRESIDENT CARTER IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS STRUGGLE.

3. AMONG THE MANY STATE DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES HE MET WERE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, THE COUNSELOR, THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, AND THE EUR ASSISTANT SECRETARY. EUR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GOODBY HOSTED A LUNCHEON FOR THE CZERNETZ PARTY. EUR ALSO HOSTED A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION. ON CAPITOL HILL CZERNETZ MET WITH THE SPEAKER. HE ALSO HELD A LENGTHY DISCUSSION WITH CHAIRMAN ZABLOCKI OF THE HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, WHO WAS PARTICULARLY HELPFUL IN ARRANGING THE VISITOR'S SCHEDULE.

4. ACCORDING TO THE AUSTRIAN EMBASSY, CZERNETZ, WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE UNGA IN NEW YORK FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE WEEK, WAS DELIGHTED WITH THIS VISIT AND THE WASHINGTON RECOGNITION HE RECEIVED OF HIS COUNCIL AND PERSONAL ROLE.
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